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Mr. Leo Charnie
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Dear Mr. Charnie:

Your letter of 27 August was received just after Mr. Dulles' departure out of the country for a brief visit.

Mr. Dulles expects to be out of the office until the latter part of September and it is noted that the Conference starts on 9 September. However, when he returns to his office, I shall bring your letter to his attention.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer

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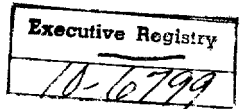
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August 27, 1958

Hon. Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, North West
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

We at the Research Institute have been especially apprehensive about two effects of the recession: The loss of relative ground with the Soviet, and the domestic consequence of business slowdown.

Although the significant signs of upturn are welcome, we know that inertia itself is an economic fact to be reckoned with. This is true not only among the thirty thousand American businesses who look to the Institute for guidance but also among members of our own professional staff.

Consequently, we are planning a closed three-day conference of our staff of some 450 people, including the directors of our field research offices throughout the country. The purpose of the conference, which starts September 9th, is simple. It will be to mobilize every member of our staff toward maximum understanding of the need to stimulate intelligent, expanding business and industrial activity.

We believe, as I know you do, that not only our own welfare but much of the destiny of the world depends on the vitality of American effort. A few words of encouragement in a letter from you would have great impact upon all of us, as we prepare to direct our energies toward the "Fabulous Sixties". You can be sure, incidentally, that any message we may receive from you will not be released publicly.

With my warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

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